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Town Topics.

WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING.
ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP ABOUT TOWN.

"A City That is Set on a Hill Can not Be Hid."

Mrs. W. S. Wight is thought to be improving.

Mrs. F. W. Barker is at Milford, Mass., visiting relatives.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. J. C. Billings last Tuesday.

Walter A. Foster of Newry, was in our village last Monday.

Prof. W. R. Chapman was in town a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bean are visiting Mr. Bean's parents.

Mr. M. L. Thurston of Newry, was in our village last Monday.

Mrs. F. S. Chandler has returned from a visit to her daughter, at Gilead.

The Gilead Gun Club sent fifteen deer from Gilead station, one day last week.

Ceylon Rowe will make low prices for the next thirty days before taking stock.

Misses Mason and Boothby of Berlin, N. H., spent Sunday with Mrs. O. M. Mason.

Thos. H. Campbell, a painter, has moved to Auburn where he will work at his trade.

Ceylon Rowe has a large assortment of useful goods for Christmas, that he is selling at low prices.

Geo. W. Ridlon of West Paris, was in town last week, on business with the Bethel Chair Company.

The M. E. Sunday School will have their Christmas tree and exercises next Saturday afternoon at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Judge Foster who has been spending a few weeks with Mrs. Bell in New York, returned home Monday night.

Miss Mollie G. and Leon Timberlake, children of Hon. F. E. Timberlake, are visiting at Ceylon Rowe's, this week.

Mr. I. W. Ames, who has been at Bar Harbor during the summer and fall months, has returned to Bethel for the winter.

Work on Mr. T. B. Kendall's new house on Summer street is being pushed along. The building is now ready to be clappedboarded.

Mr. Chas. Heath, who has been ill for the past few weeks, has improved so that his friends are confident of his complete recovery.

The Congregational Sunday School will hold a Christmas tree and supper, Saturday evening. Supper will be served at 6 o'clock, for young and old.

Archer Grover of the University of Maine, and Mrs. Grace Skillings and son, Albert, of Harvard, Mass., will spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Grover.

F. C. Bartlett respectfully invites those in want of sleighs, to call and examine his before purchasing elsewhere. He has six single and one tandem sleigh and a traverse sled, suitable for one or two horses.

At the annual meeting of the Epworth League, held at the M. E. church Monday evening, the following officers were elected; Pres., S. J. Haselton; 1st Vice Pres., C. O. Foster; 2nd Vice Pres., Eva Bryant; 3rd Vice Pres., Addie Gordon; 4th Vice Pres., Lottie Fox; Sec., Ethel Morse; Treas., Ada Coburn.

If anyone purposes joining the Bethel Festival Chorus after the Christmas rush is over, it should be borne in mind that the music must be secured at once, as all extra books will be returned during this week. The high grade of music which we are taking up, requires patient study and faithful attendance at rehearsals to enable the average singer to master it. After Jan. 1, restrictions as to voice and ability to read music, will have to be enforced with all new members.

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SOME NOTES FROM COLONIAL HISTORY.

The troops under Col. Frye were marched to Fort William Henry on the southern shore of Lake George. In the garrison was stationed Col. Monroe with five hundred British regulars. Col. Frye's militia was outside the fort.

Fifteen miles distant at Fort Edward, was Gen. Webb with a force of fifteen thousand strong. Apprehending no attack, the little garrison at Fort William Henry awaited orders and reinforcements for the march on Crown Point.

Suddenly on the 1st of August, the tranquil lake swarmed with Indian canoes. Following them a French fleet bore down upon the fort.

Montcalm, with a force of eight or nine thousand French and Indians used upon them. The brave little garrison met the summons to surrender with defiance, and sent swift messages to Gen. Webb for reinforcements, but received in return, only the unwelcome advice to surrender. In spite of the odds against them, they held their ground till the guns of the fort were disabled and their ammunition gone. Even then Col. Frye opposed capitulation. He offered to lead his men to a hand-to-hand fight with the Indians, but was obliged to yield to the opinion of the British commander. Col. Monroe finally surrendered upon honorable terms, and upon promise of the French general, of a safe march for the troops down to Fort Edward. Montcalm did not perhaps could not, keep his promise. It is probable that, like Burgoyne a few years later, he may have found himself unable to restrain the ferocity of his barbarous allies. The breach of faith seems wholly unworthy the chivalrous code of Quebec, its foemen of our noble Wolfe. Col. Frye however, seems to have had no uncertain opinion as to the guilt in the matter, for in a memorial to the Massachusetts Legislature detailing his sufferings, he flatterly accuses the enemy of "Perfidy and Inhumanity." When the troops were marching to Fort Edward under the nominal protection of a French escort, the Indians fell upon them and engaged in a general massacre attended by every kind of cruelty and indignity. Col. Frye was dragged into the woods, stripped of all his clothing except his shirt, and was about to be murdered, when in the strength of desperation, he sprang upon his savage foe and, all unarmed as he was, conquered and killed him. He escaped into the forest and ran three days through the woods, suffering beyond description in body and mind from the horrors of the fight, the haunting scenes of the massacres, his anxiety for his brave men, and the perils of his condition. At last, nearly starved, exhausted from suffering and exposure, and half crazed, he reached Fort Edward. It was only with careful nursing that he regained his accustomed strength of body and mind. In recognition of his unusual sufferings and his long and valiant service in defence of his country, the legislature of Massachusetts afterward granted him "a tract of land sufficient for a township in some place between a river called Ossipee and running into the Saco river, and the mountains above Pig-wacket." With admirable judgment he chose the site of the beautiful town of Fryeburg, which bears his name. A party of colonists from Andover, Col. Frye's home, made a settlement upon it, and in 1770, Col. Frye moved there with his family. He was not however to remain long in the cultivation of the quiet arts of peace. In the last of May, 1775, we find him on a visit to Andover. It seems he had left his plantation for the purpose of procuring a supply of powder, which without doubt, the sturdy warrior looked upon as one of the necessities of life, certainly in a plantation near the Canada line, and consequently so exposed to attack from the British. Not having been able to get any ammunition in any of the trading towns, he arrived at last in his old home and tarried there in expectation of the arrival of a large store of powder at Watertown.

Records say that the visit of the distinguished citizen was a great event in Andover. He had been for many years closely identified with its affairs and was exceedingly popular, the hero of its military romance, (think how we should feel toward Hobson, or any of the heroes of our late war, were we their townsmen) as well as a trusted man of affairs. He it was who had presided over those stormy town meetings which had followed the passage of Writ of Assistance, the Stamp Act and other odious measures ten years before.

He was still in Andover on that glorious 17th of June. On the Sunday morning following the day of the battle, he made his way to camp at Cambridge. Here his old friends gathered around him, the officers and soldiers of his former campaigns. They urged him to stay and accept a command. As might be expected, he decided to enter the service again, not however without much solicitude concerning the exposed plantation of Fryeburg. Feb. 5th, 1775 he received his commission of Brigadier General from Washington in person, and was placed in command of a force stationed at Cumberland, (now Portland) for the defence of the sea coast. We have at hand no record of his service during the Revolution or of his later years. An order book of his while stationed at Cumberland is on exhibition in the Prince collection in the Boston Public Library.

There is now in the possession of Judge Frye a genealogical account of the Frye family in Andover, in the fine, well rounded hand writing of Gen. Frye, bearing the date Mar. 19, 1779, to which the following letter is appended:

Dear Children:—

Being sensible the foregoing genealogy neither is nor can be of any public benefit, it cannot be worthy of public notice. I therefore hand it down to you, to the end that you and your descendants may (if you or any of them have or may have the curiosity) look back to the first of the family in Andover, from whom you derived your nativity, and may continue it along to many generations, if you or any of them think proper to do it; with that view (and no other) it is presented to you by your

Affectionate Father

Joseph Frye.

Mar. 19, 1779.

The account is full of interest, though extremely modest regarding the achievements of the family, but the records of Andover, Mass., to which town the "Progenitor of the Family" as Gen. Frye styles his grandfather, came from Andover in England, prove it to have been a family of great prominence. An old record with the go-as-you please spelling of that day, states that they were "men of Glate note; coppris, Sergeants, Clerks, Ensigns, Lieut., Twelve Captain, Major, Cornels, and Mager Generals. Two judges of the Courts Supreme and Court of Common Pleas, and two that had title of Honorable Counsellors, several Justices of the Peace and some of the rest Excellent Good Citizens."

Succeeding generations could add many more illustrious titles to the list. The very latest would be "Member of the American Peace Commission." That is probably not the proper way to phrase it. Without doubt, there is an "Honorable" somewhere in the title, if I knew where to place it. I suppose though if I tacked one on before and behind and sandwiched them in galore the constituents of our distinguished Senator would declare there were none too many.

Many others of the family, with characters woven of the fine fibre of patriotism, stand outlined against the background of colonial history.

The adventures of the young chaplain, Jonathan Frye, mortally wounded at Lovewell's fights, in 1725, dying alone in the wilderness, furnished Hawthorne, his romantic tale, "Roger Malvin's Burial."

It is a pathetic story, that of "the young Gentleman of Liberal Education, who was Greatly Beloved by the soldiers for his excellent Performances and good Behaviour," so read the quaint annals, "who fought with Undaunted Courage till that time of the Day that he was mortally wounded and when he could fight no longer, prayed audibly several times for the Preservation and Success of the Residue of the Company," and so full of interest is it, that it is only by imposing the severest self-restraint that we leave it untold.

There was Col. Jas. Frye with a military career hardly less distinguished than that of Gen. Joseph; a bluff soldier, generous and brave, whom everybody loved, who prided himself, like Miles Standish, in being "a fighter and not a maker of speeches," but who had the persuasive eloquence that never missed its mark. To his story is added the pathos of an untimely death in the midst of the Revolutionary war when his death was a severe blow to the patriots. There are too, traditions of his son who proved himself the readiest of Minute Men on the morning of the Concord fight. Indeed the enthusiast in our early history can rarely find a more fascinating group than that of the Frye family.

Appropos of this sketch, is a story told by Hon. Wm. P. Frye in a campaign speech in 1884. The

feeling between England and America then, was not the prime rose one of this day. He probably would not tell the story in the same spirit or with the same effect now, when the relations between the two great English speaking nations are happily so much more cordial. Then we were accusing them of unendurable insolence and hauteur toward us and they in turn, looked upon us as homeless parvenus. Mr. Frye was telling some incident of overbearing conduct in the then British minister, and he exclaimed in his inimitable way, "Why, I could tell Sir ——— that my great grandfather commanded troops at the siege of Louisburg, while his, was a sutler in the British camp." I felt then that an American ancestry was a fine thing to have. And I am more and more convinced, as research throws constantly, new light upon their remarkable career, that history furnishes no greater heroes than the sturdy patriots of early New England days.

Reasons Why You Should Attend the School Entertainment.

"Robin's Specific," an operetta, will be given at Odeon Hall, Thursday evening, Dec. 22, by the scholars of the public school. Refreshments and various articles will be on sale. Doors open at 6.30; operetta commences at 8. Admission, 20c; children, 10c.

The proceeds are for a piano. This entertainment deserves the patronage of every citizen of Bethel.

Because the piano is much needed. In daily work it will be useful in a hundred ways convenient.

Because it will help lift education to a higher plane. Many parents cannot send their children higher than the public school. This makes greater the need of an all-round, improving education. A very ordinary knowledge of music may often be helpful and practical in practical life.

Because no village as large as Bethel, can fairly claim to have an up-to-date school without a piano and regular, systematic musical instruction in it.

Because every effort of this sort arouses public interest which sometimes seems to go to sleep. People expect more from schools, and get more.

Because it is the very best investment that can be made if a thinking, intelligent, progressive community stands for anything.

Because it is a step in the never-ending highway of progress. In early New England our forefathers supported the schools constantly, persistently. Result: New England has been the prime agent in putting forth the material and brains that have built up the world's greatest nation. And efficient schools (take the statement in any sense you will) are now more essential than ever before.

Because it will help improve the general standing of the school, which is not high enough. Who does not wish to see it raised to its highest efficiency? Who does not believe that education is a powerful influence in promoting individual success?

We are earnestly hoping that the evening of Thursday, Dec. 22, will be propitious, and that everybody, old and young, will keep in mind the school entertainment at Odeon Hall. Help us raise the standard higher.

The Hilton Mystery.

Last Thursday evening when the drama entitled "The Hilton Mystery" was given in Odeon Hall under the auspices of the Volunteer Hose Co., the hall was filled as it has not been filled before for months; filled with people whose curiosity had been aroused and who had come out expecting to see and hear something worth seeing and hearing, and judging from their intense interest in all that was said and done, the generous applause, and the frequent ejaculations concerning the efforts of the actors, their expectations were fully realized.

Although the drama was gotten up in a very short time, yet by earnest and persistent effort under the direction of Mr. Vollair, their parts were well prepared and ably taken. Pleasing specialties were introduced between the acts, while a few "local hits" were sandwiched into the play, all adding their mite to a very pleasant evening's entertainment.

They went to Bryant Pond and presented the drama, last Saturday night, with good success, and will go to South Paris, Thursday night, Dec. 29.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon, and is pleasant to take. Sold by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and W. H. Crockett, Locke's Mills.

Beneath the Mistletoe.

The winter day is dull and gray; The vagrant snow-flake flies; Within, the scene is gay and green, And bright as summer skies. Little blazes wrap the mossy log That sputters soft and low, And hither Love coos like a dove Beneath the mistletoe.

Beneath the mistletoe, Mary, Beneath the mistletoe; You make a bright Arabian night Beneath the mistletoe.

Miss Helen Care skulks in despair; His shape nowhere is seen; Joy leads space the dance with grace To music sharp and keen.

While faces bright, enraptured in About the fireside glow, [smiles, Time flies, mirth-sold, on wings of Beneath the mistletoe. [sings, Beneath the mistletoe, Mary, Beneath the mistletoe; I wonder how I'll catch you now Beneath the mistletoe.

Now Christmas rhymes and Christmas chimes Send forth their Christmas cheer, While Christmas joys and Christmas in merry hosts appear. [toys The earth is Love's own bower to-day, With good will all aglow; By Love's wings fanned, 'tis fairyland Beneath the mistletoe.

Beneath the mistletoe, Mary, Beneath the mistletoe; Love's nest is here with you, my dear, Beneath the mistletoe.

R. K. MUNKITTHORP.

An Evening at Home.

CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK.

Note.— Here it is. "We are pleased at the inquiries which have come to us about this portion of the story, which we were obliged to leave out so unceremoniously last week. We are glad that our readers appreciate the story enough to inquire about it."

maintaining at home for my sake, you were the means of saving me from destruction."

"How so," asked the sister.

"I was just then beginning to form an intimate association with young men of my own age, nearly all of whom have since turned out badly. I did not care a great deal about their company; still, I liked society, and used to be with them frequently—especially when you and Mary went out in the evening."

On the night of the bell to which you were going, these young men had a supper, and I was to have been with them. I did not wish particularly to join them, but preferred doing so to remaining at home alone. To find you, as I did so unexpectedly, in the parlor was an agreeable surprise indeed. I staid at home with a new pleasure, which was heightened by the thought that it was your love for me that had made you deny yourself for my gratification. We read together on that evening, we played together, we talked of many things. In your mind I had never before seen so much to inspire my own with high and pure thoughts. I remembered the conversation of the young men with whom I had been associating, and in which I had taken pleasure, with some thing like disgust. It was low, sensual, and too much of it vile and demoralizing. Never, from that hour, did I join them. Their way, even in the early stage of life's journey, I saw to be downward, and downward it has ever since been tending. How often since have I thought of that point in time, so full-fraught with good and evil influences. Those few hours spent with you seemed to take the scales from my eyes. I saw with a new vision. I thought and felt differently. Had you gone to the ball and I to meet those young men, no one can tell what might have been the consequences. Sensual indulgences, carried to excess, amid song and sentiments calculated to awaken evil instead of good feelings, might have stamped upon my young and delicate mind a bias that never would have been eradicated. That was the great starting point in life—the period when I was coming into a state of rationality and freedom. The good prevailed over the evil, and by the agency of my sister as an angel, sent by the Author of all benefits to save me."

"Like Helen Lindley, let every elder sister be thoughtful of her brothers at that critical period in life, when the boy is about passing up to the stage of manhood, and she may save them from many a snare set for their unwary feet by the evil one. In closing this little sketch we can say nothing better than has already been said by an American authoress, Mrs. Farrar: "So many temptations," she says, "beset young men, of which young women know nothing, that it is of the utmost importance that your brother's evenings should be happily spent at home, that their friends should be your friends, that their engagements should be the same as yours, and that various innocent amusements should be provided for them in the family circle. Music is an accomplish-

ment, chiefly valuable as a home enjoyment, as rallying round the piano the various members of a family, and harmonizing their hearts as well as their voices, particularly in devotional strains. I know of no more agreeable and interesting spectacle than that of brothers and sisters playing and singing together those elevated compositions in music and poetry, which gratify the taste and purify the heart, while their fond parents sit delighted by. I have seen and heard an elder sister thus leading the family choir, who was the soul of harmony to the household, and whose life was a perfect example of those virtues which I am here endeavoring to inculcate. Let no one say, in reading this, that too much is here required of sisters, that no one can be expected to lead such a self-sacrificing life; for the sainted one to whom I refer, was all I would ask any sister to be, and a happier person never lived. To do good and make others happy was her rule of life, and in this she found the art of making herself so.

"Sisters should always be willing to walk, ride, and visit with their brothers, and esteem it a privilege to be their companions. It is worth while to learn innocent games for the sake of furnishing brothers with amusements, and making home the most agreeable place to them."

"I have been told by some, who have passed unharmed through the temptations of youth, that they owed their escape from many dangers, to the intimate companionship of affectionate and pure minded sisters. They have been saved from a hazardous meeting with idle company by some home engagement, of which their sisters were the charm; they have been saved from mixing with the impure, because they would not bring home thoughts and feelings which they thought not share with those trusting, loving friends; they have put aside the wine-cup and abstained from stronger potations, because they would not profane with their fumes the holy kiss, with which they were accustomed to bid their sisters good-night."

A Grand Send Off.

Yes, it was a grand send off that Rev. L. E. Bean gave the Gould's Academy lecture course, last Friday evening, when he delivered his popular lecture, "The Devil in Black and White" before a large and appreciative audience.

Mr. Bean held the undivided attention of his hearers for an hour and a half, and could have held it as much longer. He possesses a wonderful faculty of waving his audience from laughter into breathless silence, while his flights from the humorous to the sublime, are exceedingly beautiful.

For wisdom, philosophy, logic and eloquence, he is one of the most able speakers which Maine affords, and all who heard him here may consider themselves fortunate to have had the opportunity.

This course of lectures by Maine's best talent, gives our people something to look forward to during the coming two months, and though it may be impossible for all of our citizens to listen to all of them, yet, when possible, as many as can, should avail themselves of the opportunity to listen to what is inspiring, elevating and instructive.

A good sized audience at each lecture, will not only show the high intellectual standard of the townspeople, but encourage our young people to interest themselves in sociality of high order. Owing to a conflict of dates, the next lecture, which was announced for Jan. 8, will be given Dec. 30, by Dr. Nathaniel Butler, President of Colby College.

How to Make Lemon Butter.

To the yolks of three eggs add half a cupful of granulated sugar, a quarter of a cupful of butter, the rind and juice of one lemon and one teaspoonful of cornstarch. Cook in a double boiler, stirring until thick. The butter will keep for a month if put in a cool place.

How to Make Rose Jar.

Mix one ounce each of powdered sandalwood,orris root, cloves, mace, cinnamon, cassia and citron wood with half an ounce of gum benzoin and dry shredded lemon peel. Place a thick layer of rose leaves in your jar, then sprinkle thickly with salt. Over this a thick layer of the above mixture, and repeat the process until the jar is filled. Press down firmly, add the cover and allow the whole to stand for two weeks.

Pains in the chest when a person has a cold, indicate a tendency toward pneumonia. A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on to the chest over the seat of pain will promptly relieve the pain and prevent the threatened attack of pneumonia. This same treatment will cure a lame back in a few hours. Sold by G. R. Wiley, Bethel, and W. H. Crockett, Locke's Mills.

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FOR MEN AND BOYS.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Merry Christmas.
S. W. Potter of Gilead, was in town, Friday.

Ruth King has been suffering recently from neuralgia.

The Chair Co. having filled all orders, has shut down for a few weeks.

E. L. Arno recently killed an eight months old pig which weighed 818 lbs.

Miss Grace Carter and pupil, Beatrice Chanler, spent Sunday in Portland.

Howard Carter, book keeper for the Berlin Mill Co. at Berlin, N. H., spent Sunday at home.

Robert Foster and Fred Merrill are home on a two weeks' vacation from Bowdoin college.

Albert C. Eames, principal of the Denmark high school, is at home for a two weeks' vacation.

Geo. B. Haskell & Co. of Lewiston, are having 10,000 seed catalogues made at the News office.

D. and Mrs. Gehring and niece, Miss Alma Gehring, returned from a six weeks' visit to Cleveland O. last Saturday.

F. H. Noyes at the Blue Store, Norway, is selling some bargains in fur coats, ulsters, overcoats, and suits. It will pay you to buy of him.

Have you sampled the tar soap for sale by R. E. L. Farwell? If not, do so and you will agree that it is one of the finest articles on the market.

William Williamson, superintendent of schools of Newry, has purchased the millinery and fancy goods business of C. H. Shackford, Conway Corner, N. H., and moved there last Friday.

The doll now in Mr. Wiley's window, will be sold by ticket during the school sale and entertainment, Thursday evening. The fortunate child will certainly come into possession of a "perfect beauty."

The following officers have been elected at the M. E. Sunday school for the ensuing year: Chas. H. Davis, Supt.; E. L. Arno, Assistant Supt.; Miss Addie M. Gordon, Sec. and Treas.; Irving Wilson, Librarian; Miss Ethel Morse, organist.

Let the farmers who do the town churning, read the advertisement of Hiram Wilson found in another column. Mr. Wilson proposes to exhibit his churn at the store of Hastings Bros. for the next three Saturdays and invites all interested to come and see it work.

A special holiday excursion to western points, from Portland will be made by the Grand Trunk from Dec. 14 to 24 inclusive. Fare for the round trip as follows: To Cincinnati, O., \$25.70; Minneapolis, Minn., \$41.70; Detroit, Mich., \$32.35; St. Louis, Mo., \$31.70. For full information apply to any Grand Trunk agent.

The suit Stearns vs. Fifield, a decision in which, was recently handed down from the law court, is one which has been the subject of much local interest. The land involved is valuable real estate in Bethel village. James C. Stearns is in occupation and R. A. Fifield of Methuen, Mass., claiming under his father, the late Alonzo Fifield of Riley's plantation, brought suit for possession. Then Stearns brought the bill to redeem, claiming this right under a bond in the nature of a mortgage. This equity suit is the action just decided and under the decision, Stearns has no right in the property and Fifield will recover possession. The actions have been in court for some time; a number of prominent business men of Bethel and vicinity were summoned as witnesses.

Mr. George Kneeland of Watford, has taken a contract to save a large amount of staves for I. S. Morrill of Bethel, the work to be done in Mr. Morrill's mill in Bethel. Mr. Morrill is buying three or four hundred cords of stave timber. He is also putting into his mill yard 500,000 feet of hemlock timber, from Albany, besides other lots from various parties. Within a short time Mr. Morrill will erect a long dry shed in connection with his mill. The lumber used in the erection of this shed, came largely from the old tannery building on Mill stream, near Mr. Morrill's mill. This tannery was an old land mark in Bethel, having been built seventy-five years ago, or more, by the Browns of Bethel. It had not been used for years and had fallen into decay. Its removal has much improved the looks of the locality.

The approach of Christmas naturally suggests many things which would like to give as presents. All to whom such suggestions have presented themselves and all who have not decided what they will give, are invited to call at the store of Miss L. C. Hall and examine her complete stock. Here you will find all you have thought of, together with a thousand and one things of which you never have thought. Don't buy until you have made us a call.

Our Young Readers.

One Word.

O, if we could but learn to know How swift and sure one word can go, How would we weigh with utmost care Each thought before it sought the air, And only speak the words that move Like white-winged messengers of love!

JINGLE JANGLE.

A Christmas Sketch.

It was the night before Christmas, and the widow Brown was busily engaged in mending a garment which her little Georgie had laid aside when he retired to his bed. Although Mrs. Brown was busy, her eyes would often wander from her work to a little pair of stockings that were hanging beneath the mantle-piece, and once or twice tears filled her eyes, and found their way from her cheeks to the little garment on her lap. Poor woman! she was thinking of the last Christmas, when she was happy in the love of a kind and indulgent husband, but sickness and death had entered their home and left her a widow, and to-night she was nearly destitute. Presently the little garment was finished and laid aside; then she drew her chair toward the fire, and for awhile she sat in deep meditation. Now there is a good spright, living in "Dreamland Glen" who goes about helping people in need. This spright is called Jingle Jangle by his friends, because he has a habit of expressing his thoughts in rhyme. While the widow was sitting before the fire, Jingle Jangle entered the room, and he saw by the widow's attitude that she was in trouble, and he determined to help her. Occasionally the widow would speak her thoughts, and soon Jingle Jangle knew of her trouble, and then he murmured:

"I'll now away to 'Dreamland Glen,' And then I'll return again. For though I've much to do to-night, I'll help this woman in her plight. For she is kind and good, I'm sure, Although just now she's very poor, But poverty is not a crime." And thus he murmured on in rhyme, "I know a man with goods to sell, Who has a kindly heart as well; He often gives unto the poor And takes the goods right to their door; I'll go to him this very night, And tell him of the widow's plight." Then the spright went away as noiselessly as he came, and still the widow sat before the dying fire, and the tick-tock, tick-tock of the old clock was the only sound that broke the monotony of complete silence. Presently she arose and entered the sleeping-room where her little boy was sleeping the sleep of innocent childhood. As she stooped to kiss her boy, a smile flitted over his face, showing that he was in the midst of pleasant dreams. The mother kissed her child, and after committing herself and child to God's care, disrobed and lay down by his side. She tossed restlessly about for some time, but at last tired nature gave way, and she slept. By this time Jingle Jangle had returned, and seeing the widow asleep he murmured:

"I must not tarry in my flight, So now again I'll wing my flight." And then away our good spright went, Upon some kindly mission bent. And surely he, the long night through, Found many good deeds he could do. In the morning, after a dreamless sleep, the widow awoke, and quietly slipping from the bed she made her way to the kitchen, and kindled a fire. Georgie was still in happy dreamful slumber, judging by the smiles that would occasionally flit across his face, and she wished to prolong his happiness as long as possible. After kindling the fire, she started for the shed to gather a few bits of wood. When she opened the door she was astonished to see that a large box of goods blocked the passage-way. A nice turkey reclined serenely on top of the box. A card was attached to its neck, on which John had written: "A merry Christmas to Mrs. Brown and Georgie." Tears of joy filled the widow's eyes, and, as she carried the goods to the kitchen, she exclaimed: "God is good! He tempests the wind to the storm lamb." Falling on her knees, she rendered a fervent prayer to God, thanking Him for His kindness, past and present. Then she arose, and hastily prepared breakfast.

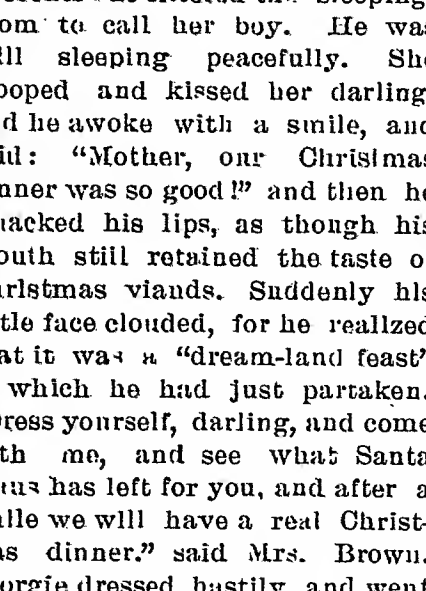
After neatly arranging Georgie's presents she entered the sleeping-room to call her boy. He was still sleeping peacefully. She stooped and kissed her darling, and he awoke with a smile, and said: "Mother, our Christmas dinner was so good!" and then he snatched his lips, as though his mouth still retained the taste of Christmas viands. Suddenly his little face clouded, for he realized that it was a "dream-land feast" of which he had just partaken. "Dress yourself, darling, and come with me, and see what Santa Claus has left for you, and after a while we will have a real Christmas dinner," said Mrs. Brown. Georgie dressed hastily, and went to the kitchen, and when he saw his stockings, full to the tops, he gave a shout of delight, and soon had the things spread over the table. I think we can safely say that no happier people could have been found for miles around, than the widow and Georgie that Christmas morning. Just then the "Sprite of Dreamland Glen" entered the kitchen, and seeing the happy, smiling faces of Mrs. Brown and Georgie, he murmured:

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COUNTY NEWS.

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WEST BETHEL.

I used to love the winter cold, and when my daily task was done to roll the snow ball and hold my crystal daggers in the sun; how beautiful, how bright! How soon they melt away, 'Till drop by drop they vanish quite—Ah! well-a-day!

Now for Christmas cheer. The days are growing longer. Good resolutions will soon be in order.

Watch for the eclipse of the moon next Tuesday evening.

Eight loaded cars were sent from this station on one day of last week.

Miss Ethel Allen's health is rapidly improving, and we are glad to see her out again.

No better present can be selected for an absent friend, than a subscription to the Bethel News.

O. D. Clough is once more seen on the road gathering cream for the Bethel butter factory.

Two boxes supposed to contain Christmas beverages, were seized at the express office Friday, by C. M. Wornell.

Hiram Higgins, whose sad death was reported in last week's papers, was well known in this place, and a frequent visitor here.

How it Hurts.

Rheumatism, with its sharp twinges, aches and pains. Do you know the case? Acid in the blood has accumulated in your joints. The cure is found in Hood's Sarsaparilla which neutralizes this acid. Thousands write that they have been completely cured of rheumatism by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's Pills cure nausea, sick headache, biliousness, indigestion. Price 25 cents.

NORWAY.

The country roads are in excellent condition so that trade from surrounding towns, is at its best.

The brick work is progressing rapidly on the new electric station annex. Two boilers are already in position and the walls up. The powerful engine is expected soon.

The young people are enjoying what little skating the bog affords. The lake offered small inducements this winter, a heavy fall of snow covered the ice almost immediately after it formed.

Christmas is nearly here and the stores in the village testify to that effect. The window displays in the dry goods stores of Thomas Smiley, Merritt Welch, and Prince sisters are well worth looking at. F. H. Noyes at the "Blue Store," has two original windows; Henry Foster and the Sanborn Clothing Co., also please producing effects. Vivian Hills and Horace Cole have catchy displays of silverware.

Electrical effects in these windows are a decided drawing card. Geo. Hobbs variety store offers great inducements on the five and ten cent counters.

Passed into the higher life, Dec. 18, 1898, at Norway, Marion Virginia (Reed), faithful wife of Contractor Chas. H. Adams of Norway, at the age of 53 years, 10 months and 5 days. The deceased was born in Wisconsin, Feb. 13, 1845, but spent the greater part of her girlhood days in Byron. Aug. 25, 1867, she was united in marriage to Mr. Chas. Adams, from which time her life has been one of usefulness to family and neighbor, in hours of prosperity and gladness, or in seasons of seeming darkness and sorrow. In changing this physical body for the spiritual, she leaves a most devoted husband, a loving sister, Mrs. A. M. Eastman of Auburn, and two faithful children, C. Clifford Adams and Mrs. W. S. Chandler, both of this village. The funeral services were held at Mr. Adams' residence on Main street, and were conducted by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Congregationalist, assisted by Rev. Frank E. Barton, Unitarianist, of Bethel, who was an intimate friend of the family. Interment in Maple Grove cemetery at Mechanic Falls.

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MIDDLE INTERVALE.

A successful term of fifteen weeks of school under the instruction of Miss Cora Farwell, closed here Dec. 17. The following is the program of the last day exercises:

Quotations, School Use the Pen, Lena Farwell, Composition, Maud Russell, Two Triants, Florence Kimball, Name Unknown, Maria Balentine, The Three Balls, Millie Oliver.

Short Extracts in Verse, Four little girls, Recitation, Anna Kimball, Ditties Out to Sea, Edith Kimball, Out for a Walk, Edith Kimball, The Lost Lamb, Eva Farwell, A Girl's Work, Helen Burgess, Our Country, Class in Fifth Reader.

A treat of pop corn, peanuts and candy, was furnished by the teacher. Miss Farwell wishes to mention several birthday presents by Mrs. E. P. Kimball, Anna and Florence. Several visitors were present and all enjoyed the exercises, which were well rendered, also the treat which was first class.

We believe Miss Farwell acted her part well as teacher and the scholars had an average good rank and deportment.

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NEWRY.

Miss Lena Clark of Bethel, was in Newry, Saturday.

The Sewing Circle met with Mrs. Kilgore, last Thursday.

Mrs. M. L. Thurston went to Rumford Falls, Saturday.

Mrs. Walter Foster visited in Gorham, N. H., a few days last week.

The lyceum was well attended. There will be another in two weeks from last Saturday.

Mrs. Alva Coolidge and Mrs. Minnie Abbott from Upton, visited Mrs. Henry Fuller last week.

Miss Silver's two sisters from Rumford, visited her at the "Head of the Tide," where she has been teaching.

BRYANT POND.

Archie Felt is quite sick with la-grippe.

W. G. Morton went to Boston last week, to buy Christmas goods.

Mrs. Annie Day, Miss Alice Day and Miss Lottie Peverley went to Lewiston, Saturday.

A Christmas entertainment will be held in the Universalist church, next Saturday evening.

Lewis Day has returned from Boston, where he has been working for the past two months.

RUMFORD.

Mrs. J. H. Estes is visiting in Portland.

Mrs. Tuttle has been quite sick, the past week.

H. L. Elliott and wife spent Sunday at E. F. Elliott's.

W. W. Virgin is working at the paint mine at North Rumford.

Mrs. Mertie Stearns and daughter went to Stoneham, Sunday.

Mrs. Blanche Small goes to Portland, Monday, to join her husband who is employed at the Reform school.

Daisy, daughter of N. B. and Mary Jackson, died last Saturday, of consumption. This is the third daughter they have lost within a few years.

NORTH ALBANY.

Bad colds are prevailing in this vicinity.

N. W. Bennett is at home at the present time.

John Bean and son, Burt, are visiting friends in this place.

Frank Foster bought a pair of horses and is yarding spruce for Edwin Rolf.

Prescott Bennett and Frank Foster were in Auburn last week looking for horses.

F. H. Bennett has bought a horse. He has two two-horse teams hauling timber.

C. P. Pingree has taken a small job of A. S. Bean. Peter A. Galant is at work for him cutting timber.

Elbridge Crooker called at F. H. Bennett's to see his father, who has been quite feeble for a few weeks past.

Ed. Rolf went to South Albany last Friday, to move Nahum Scribner to Mason where he is employed by A. S. Bean, for the winter.

Leighton Brothers are doing a large business here; they are now building their roads so as to make an easy haul for their teams as possible. They will haul the spruce full length, to Pleasant river, hemlock bark to West Bethel, and hemlock logs to Crooked river, below the Knowland farm.

SOUTH PARIS.

There is prospect of a dancing school in New-Hall, this winter.

The small boy now flattens his nose against the toy store window.

The whist club of this place, now holds weekly meetings in G. A. R. hall.

The Congregational church society of this town, held a successful fair Thursday and Friday afternoons and evenings last week.

During the afternoons the various booths were run and disposed of many useful and fancy articles while on Friday afternoon, an interesting baby exhibition was given.

A first-class entertainment was given each evening by local talent.

FIRE AT SOUTH PARIS.

About one o'clock last Thursday morning, many of the citizens of this place were awakened by the cry of fire, which was immediately followed by the clanging of both church bells.

The fire was found to be in the upper end of Hotel Central, and as it had a good start of the sleepy townspeople, it blazed up in great style. The local hose companies came, and soon had two streams playing upon it, but as the flames mounted higher it was seen that all attempts at checking it would be fruitless.

As soon as the walls fell in, the fire flared began to attack the grocery store of George Jones, which stood less than twenty feet below it, and although it did not totally destroy the building, it gutted it in good shape.

As soon as he discovered that the house was on fire, proprietor Andrews immediately alarmed his guests, who managed to leave by the veranda and windows, after which he and his wife jumped from the back piazza of the second story to the ground, from which effects they have not yet entirely recovered; their little son who refused to jump, was soon afterwards rescued by means of a ladder.

The total loss was about \$5,500, and was covered by a fair insurance.

A second alarm was given on the following Saturday night at about 12 o'clock, on account of a small fire being discovered under the eaves of J. T. Stewart's house on High street, which is known as the Bemis place. As it had made but little headway it was soon extinguished.

GRAFTON.

George J. Brown from Auburn, was in town last week.

Several from town attended the lyceum at North Newry.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Brooks visited at Woodstock, recently.

The Ladies' Circle will meet with Mrs. S. W. Pratt, this week.

Three deer were shot in town, Friday, by a party of sportsmen from Hebron.

Mrs. C. T. Parker, and children, from Newry Corner, have been visiting her mother, Mrs. A. W. Farrar.

H. T. Woods and T. B. Maynard from Boston, accompanied by three friends, are staying at Mrs. A. W. Farrar's.

The fall term of school closed December 2, after a term of twelve weeks, taught by Miss Florence Farrar.

Drunkennes and Cirrhosis.

Lancereux, having been struck by the theory of drunkenness, he has investigated the influence of various alcoholic liquors in the production of cirrhosis. In 210 cases of cirrhosis examined by him in 35 years 58 of the subjects had drunk wine alone in excess; 139, wine in combination with brandy, rum or absinth; 12, wine and beer, and 4, wine and cider in large quantities. These figures clearly show that in Paris at any rate wine, and not alcoholic drinks generally, must be considered the antecedent of cirrhosis. Conversely, in Brittany and Normandy, where little wine, but much brandy, is drunk, cirrhosis is rare. In Haiti, where a great deal of rum and arrack is consumed, hepatic cirrhosis is unknown. Lancereux finds that the poisonous body in wine is sulphate of potassium. In Paris plastered wines contain four to six grams of this salt per liter, and three to four in the average quantity taken in the cases he investigated. That sulphate of potassium alone gives rise to cirrhosis he proved by feeding rabbits guinea pigs and dogs with it. After surviving for from six to 18 months they died and presented typical venous cirrhosis. The general consensus of opinion expressed by those who have given alcohol experimentally to animals is that it sets up fatty degeneration in liver cells, but does not produce cirrhosis. It appears that there is some body other than alcohol in alcoholic drinks which gives rise to cirrhosis, and this Lancereux believes to be the salts of potassium, especially the sulphates.—New York Times.

Weaving Pictures into Fabrics.

The foreign scientific items in the film played by the Austrian inventor of his intention to set up a loom at the Paris exhibition destined to revolutionize the weaving of pictures into textile fabrics—that is, by a unique adaptation of electricity and photography he declares the practicality of laying out and applying designs for this purpose that would require months or even years under the old process in vogue. At the Vienna jubilee exhibition the capabilities of the new invention have been displayed in the weaving of small landscapes in silk in a very short time. It is intended to have at Paris a loom of this kind that will photograph the subject, prepare the design plate and weave a silk handkerchief containing the photograph, woven in colors, inside of 20 minutes.

A Frenchman's Daughter.

Miss Pauline Bradford Mackie is the author of "Mlle. De Berry" and "The Little Salem Maid," which are about to be dramatized. She is the daughter of an Episcopal clergyman of Toledo, but has spent much time in Washington. The success of her first books has encouraged her to devote herself to literary work.

TAPE WORMS

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SCHOOL CONTEST.

The electric program clock is truly a wonder, and where is the school that would not hail with delight the opportunity of securing one absolutely free. Electricity has been put to numberless uses, and now we have it harnessed to the school clock, carrying, with the speed of light, on its metallic roadway, the messages of president to professor, or principal to assistants, announcing the end of class periods, the time to study, the time for dismissal, etc. This clock will cause the bells to ring in different rooms at different or the same intervals, as desired, and will do its work from one year's end to the other, resting nights, Saturdays, and Sundays. It gives each period the correct time allotted to it in the program, and the entire school is not at the caprice of a forgetful bell-ringer, nor any one's watch, as the program clock is the standard time for the entire school. It is this unique and valuable invention that we are to give the academy in this section that will do the most work for us during the next four months.

CONDITIONS.

This contest is open to the following academies: Gould's, Hebron, Bridgton, Fryeburg and Paris Hill. The work will be securing subscriptions to the Bethel News, advertising and job printing, and will be confined entirely to new work; that is, renewals will not count, neither will cash paid on advertising already secured by us; but any space sold our advertisers, in excess of the amount already contracted for, may be counted.

The count will be credited as follows:

Every dollar paid on new subscriptions, 100 points.
Every dollar paid on advertising in News, 50 "
Every dollar paid on job printing, 50 "
Every coupon printed in the News, 1 point

A WORD TO CONTESTANTS.

It is the school that begins early, works late, and works all the time, that will secure this valuable prize; so organize and begin at once; make a thorough canvass of the territory throughout which the people are interested in your school; urge every one you see to help you to the extent of their subscription, and write to all you can not see, explaining your purpose and ask for their co-operation; visit the merchants, doctors, lawyers, in fact all business men, who have job printing, and solicit their work; visit those who advertise and sell them space in the News; in short, work, interest all the friends you can, work yourselves, ask your friends to work, and the prize is yours.

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